UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

MARTIN J. WALSH, Secretary of Labor, United States Department of Labor,

Plaintiff,

v.

ERNIE'S AUTO DETAILING INC., et al.,

Defendants.

No. 20-cv-17785 (KM)(ESK)

ORDER

This matter having come before the Court on the Report and Recommendation ("R&R") (DE 75) of the Honorable Edward S. Kiel, United States Magistrate Judge, recommending that plaintiff's motion for sanctions (DE 71) be granted, defendants' answers be stricken, and default be entered against defendants;

AND IT APPEARING that no party has filed an objection to the R&R;

AND IT FURTHER APPEARING that the Court, having considered all the foregoing and reviewed *de novo* the Magistrate Judge's R&R, finds no clear error of fact, abuse of discretion, or error of law, and agrees with Judge Kiel's well-reasoned analysis;

AND THE COURT having decided the matter without oral argument; for good cause shown, and for the reasons stated in the R&R:

IT IS this 30th day of December, 2022,

ORDERED that Judge Kiel's Report and Recommendation (DE 75) is **ADOPTED**; and it is further

ORDERED that plaintiff's motion for sanctions (DE 71) is **GRANTED**, defendants' answers are stricken, and default shall be entered against defendants.

/s/ Kevin McNulty

Hon. Kevin McNulty United States District Judge